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Directed Evolution of Oxidase Enzymes

## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231 **Box RCE** 

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified patent application upon which prosecution is closed.

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1. The issue fee in this application (check one): [] Has not been paid; [] Has been paid, and this request is accompanied by a petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.313. 2. This request is accompanied by the fee specified in 37 C.F.R §1.17(e) and a submission in the form of: [] Consider the amendments(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on . (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.) [] Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on . [X] An amendment of the description, claims or drawings as filed concurrently herewith; [] A Request for Reconsideration containing new arguments; [] A Request for Reconsideration submitting new evidence of patentability; [X] An Information Disclosure Statement; [] Other (specify) 3. [] Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of months. The required fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) is enclosed. (Suspension not to exceed three months). [X] A Petition for Extension of Time accompanies this Request. 4.

5. A check in the amount of \$ 740 is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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